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## LADS CONFESS TO THEFT OF CHIEF OF POLICE'S CAR

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BRITISH STEAMER

Vessel Founders in Mid-Ocean

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec 19.—Fortyslightly wounded at a McCallum-Robinson contron pickery barbecue last sammer, when an irate auto owner discovered Pumphrey in his machine, and gave chase, firing one snot. But Pumphrey never was prosecuted for this alieged offense.

Stegall's name crept into the record in the criminal assault trial of Allen McNamara. Testimony showed that he was a friend of both Allen and Gus McNamara.

Linder a recent federal statute, conviction for transporting n stolen automobile into another state carries a penalty of \$5,000 fine, or 5 years imprisonment, or both. Such cases are tried in federal court.

A fifth youth, arrested Thursday night and hald on the secret docket at police headquarters, probably will be released by nightfall Friday, as the police have failed to connect him with the interestate auto syndicate.

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For the past year Miss Schwars has been in Denver in search of health, but so complicated was her case, that from the first her physicians have given her family and friends very little encouragement.

Miss Schwarz, who made her home with her brother, Mr. Jacob Schwarz was a very charming and lovable girl, who made friends wherever she went. Plans have not yet been made for the funeral, which will be held from the home of her brother on Lawrence place.

HITS GIRL, TAKES HER TO HOSPITAL, GIVES UP

Severe bruises is the extent of injuries to Miss Mildred Dutton, 835 Linden avenue, who was struck by an automobile early Thursday night, at Union
avenue and Wainut street. Charles J.
Creath, 273 Madison avenue, driver of
the car which struck Miss Dutton, took
her to the Baptist Memorial hospital,
then drove to police station and reported the accident. He was docketed
on a charge of reckless driving. Mr.
Creath teld police that slight rain had
dimmed his vision through the windshield of his machus.

According to Wireless Message Received From Ship Which Rescued Survivors.

SEEKING ELECTION

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 18.—Voters in the Fifth Wisconsin congressional district today are choosing between Victor L. Berger, Socialist, and Henry H. Bodenstab, fusion candidate, runsing on the Republican ticket, to fill the vacancy caused by congress' refusal to seat Berger on his certificate of election in November, 1918.

It is generally considered that a light vote would favor Berger, while heavy poll apparently would aid Bodenstab. Poll lists in the district contain approximately 53,000 names. Berger is conceded 20,000 votes, which is about 3,000 nore than he received in November, 1918, when the candidates of the two old parties together received 22,854 votes.

Berger claims he will be elected by a majority ranging from 5,000 to 10,000, and Bodenstab predicts that with a heavy vote he will win by several thousand.

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During the campaign the Socialists upheld all the acts of Berger for which he was indicted and convicted, while the fusionists attacked what they termed "Bergeriam and Bolsheviam," and made "loyalty" the theme of their arguments.

MOVES IN TWO SECTIONS

The Sunshine special on the Missouri Pacific railroad carried nine Pullman sheepers Thursday night and was operated in two sections. College girls from Ward-Belmont college, at Nashville, Sulfans college at Briatol, Tenn., and Hollis school at Roanolte, Va., on their way home for the holidays occupied five of the sleepers.

The first section was a solid train of Pullman sleepers and was run through to Texas with only one scheduled stop, at Lattle Rock. This was probably the first solid Pullman train ever operated from Memphis to Texas. The second section also had sleepers for Arkansas points.

The volume of holiday travel this year is exceeding all former records, railway officials on all lines say. Extra equipment is being carried on all trains but the trains are still badly crowded, and the railroads are experiencing difficulty in obtaining onough coaches and sleepers to handle the traffic.

SAM SNELL SENTENCED FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Sam Snell, convicted in the Second criminal court last week of involuntary manslaughter, was sentenced to serve from one to five years in the state penitentiary Priday morning by Judge Harsh after motion for a new trial had been overruled. Walter Dugger, his attorney, gave notice of an appeal of the case to the supreme court. Snell was charged with murdering Frank Eastham, a neighbor, fiear Woodstock, while the two were riding through the woods in quest, he said, of a mad dog. Snell claimed that the gun was accidentally discharged, causing Eastham's death.

Ready To Act In Protocol Crisis



Maj Gen. Heury C. Allen is in charge of the 12,000 American soldiers in oc-cupled Germany, with headquarters at Coblenz. He is ready to lead his men farther Into Germany if the Germans fail to sign the allied protocol to the peace treaty.

Buys Seven Acres on Parkway and Union for \$60,000 Acquires H. P. Johnson

Home for \$50,000.

Erection by Clarence Saunders, Memphis capitalist and president of the Pigsky Wigsly stores, of a home on the southwest corner of Union avenue and East Parkway to cost in the neighborhood of \$150,000 will begin as soon as architects" plans can be completed.

Mr. Saunders only a few days ago acquired this location through purchase for \$60,000 of the tract owned by the A. B. Trendwell estate. There is a frontage of 710 feet on the Parkway and \$43 feet on Union avenue. The location is in one of Memphis' most fashionable residential sections.

For a temporary home pending completion of the Parkway residence, Mr. Saunders has purchased from Mrs. Harry Prince Johnson the Central avenue residence erected about nine years ago by the late H. P. Johnson. The purchase price was \$50,000.

McGee & Lester are the architects who will draw up plans for the Saunders home. One set of plans already has been completed for Mr. Saunders' approval, but members of the architects firm say that a good many changes will be made. Originally these plans were drawn for another site and the purchase of the Treadwell tract necessitates some alterations.

It is understood that the proposed home will be a two-story affair of rick and stone construction will range in the enighborhood of \$150,000. The house will be a two-story affair of trick and stone construction will range in the enighborhood of \$150,000. The house will be a two-story affair of the content of the probably wall be been denoted which will, according to McGee & Lester, be within the next 10 days. Once contracts are let every effort will be bent on hurried construction.

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L. KEANE, TELEGRAPHER, VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

Thomas Lambert Keane, 37 years old. 801 Jackson avenue, better known among his many friends and associates as "Lam" Keane, died at 3:30 Friday morning, after a week's illness with

morning, after a week's illness with pneumonia.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home at 10 o'clock Saturday morning and mass will be sung at St. Mary's church followed by interment in Calygry cemetery.

'Lam' Keane, at the time he was taken ill, was a telegrapher in the office of O. A. McFall, cutton broker.

12 North Front street. He was one of the most skilled and best known operators of Memphis, having worked for press associations and news agencies as well as commercial concerns and the two big telegraph companies.

Maurice J. Keane, I., & N. engineer, his father, his mother, two brothers, Lee and Will Keane, and three sisters, Mrs. Mary Chickering, Mrs. Matt Dwyer and Mrs. Tainell Dwyer, all of Memphis, survive.

SCORE ANOTHER FOR "JAKE" AS BEVERAGE

NO NEWS IN THIS TO

KIDS—SCHOOL'S OUT

Children attending the public schools of Memphis will begin their Christmas holidays Friday afternoon, the schools closing Friday and will not be reopened until Jan. 5.

Many of the teachers whose homes are not in Memphis will leave during the next few days to spend the holidays when the appealed to officers at the Grand the relatives in nearby towns.

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Deadly "jake," or Jamaica ginger, caused the death Thursday afternoon and Dr. Fortsy redombs and Dr. Fortsy redombs and proposed the death Thursday afternoon and Dr. Fortsy redombs and Dr. Fortsy redombs and proposed the death Thursday afternoon and Dr. Fortsy redombs and Dr. Fortsy redombs and proposed the death Thursday afternoon and Dr. Fortsy redombs and Dr. Fortsy and Dr. Fortsy redombs and Dr. Fortsy redo

Packing Time Arrives and Brings Need of Aid and Distribution Trucks - Help Make This the Best Year.

BY A. GOODFELLOW. of Grand Goodfellows-You cer-rare the Santa Claus that God and we teach our children about. You have the spirit and that is

kiddles' bundles.

There are only a few days left naw, Goodfellows. Already some pucking has started. Then there will be the great work of distribution. For that we will need trucks and autos, and we will need them in numbers. Also we will need them in numbers. Ofer your truck or automobile, and also come and help us pack. Don't let your contribution alone make you a Goodfellow.

And, too, you prospective contributors. Rush that check along. The address is Goodfellows-Santa Claus Club, The News Scimitar.

First to proffer services of automobiles for the distribution is T. Eugene Warren, better known as "Gene," who declares that his two machines will be

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WILL TRY TO SECURE R. R. BILL VOTE TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Every effort will be made to bring the Cummins railroad bill to a vote in the senate today before adjournment. Should the senate be unable to agree on the measure by Saturday, when the proposed Christmas recess would begin it would be held in session until the bill is passed.

Under an agreement reached by Republican leaders of the house and senate, the house will suspend business Saturday to permit the representatives to go home for the holidays, even though the senate is held by delay on the railroad bill.

An amendment to the bill by Senater Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, which would strike out the clause providing that authorization be obtained from the transportation board before the railroads undertake new construction was up foday.

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The substitute of Senator McCornick, Republican, lilinois, for the anti-trike provision which was lost yesterlay by a vote of \$1 to \$1, will be rought up again, the senator anaunced The proposal of Senator Stanley, Democrat, Kenlucky, to eliminate the whole section of labor clauses was rejected.

DR. M'GEHEE HEADS MEDICAL SOCIETY

Dr. J. Lucius McGehee, veteran of the world war, was unanimously chosen as president of the Memphis and Shelb-County Medical society at its annual meeting held Thursday night at the Memphis Country club. The meeting was largely attended and following the election the annual banquet was held. Other officers chosen for the ensuing term are:

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Dr. J. B. Blue, vice-president Dr. J.
J. Hobson, secretary; Dr. Battle Malono, member board of censors.
The meeting was presided over by Dr. Willis C. Camubell, retiring president, and Dr. A. B. DeLoach served as tonatmaster. Goodfellowship prevailed and many important toasts were responded to:
The society has had a most successful year, and the meetings that have been held have contributed largely to the success of the organization. Members of the society were loud in their praise of the program committee, composed of Dr. Brece Fontaine, Dr. Percy Toombs and Dr. Fontaine Moure, under whose disection the annual banquet was prepared.

Saturday Girl Scouts will conduct Shelby county past the \$22,000 goal. Auto tag day is a part of this general campaign. Get one of these tags carly. Help aid in stamping out this disease by putting Memphis past her quota.

Lad Still Maintains He Knows Nothing of Robbery—Came Here Recently as Glass Eater in Sideshows.

Eater in Sideshows.

The roommate of Wilbert H. Stevensen, held on suspicion following the diamond rolibery of the windows of the Joseph-Myers jewelry shop 19 Main street. Friday afternoon positively identified the cap police hold which was ploked up near the scene of the robbery as belonging to the thief.

Stevenson returned hatless to his room the night of the robbery, his room mate says, and is quoted as saying that he had lost his hat.

Joe Blahop and W. J. Jayce Friday were running down other clews in an effort to solve the mystery of the crime.

Lodgers at the rooming house, 3:3 South Front street, where Stevenson ilved with his mother, have told police that the man had in his possession a short time before the jewelry window was smashed, a new hatchet handle will which he attempted to wreat aff the hase which hold a padlock to his motaer's door. It was a new handle fasiened to a rusty hatchet, which crashed through the Joseph-Myers window. Stevenson denies that he had in his possession such a handle.

The detectives say that lodgers declare Stavenson came in the night of the robbery, out of breath and minus his cap. The zem thief lost his cap just outside the window which he smashed. Stevenson denies having run home without a cap.

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The window smasher's cap bore the name of a Tuisa. Okla., clothler, One roomer at the place Stevenson stays claims, police say, to nave seen an Oklahoma labet in Stevenson's cap, as it hung on a hall rack. Stevenson denied that he had such a cap. But the cap picked up outside the smashed window made a very presentable fit when placed on Stevenson's head.

These sum up most of the evidence against Stevenson. In his favor is the fact that of persons who were passing and saw the window smashing job, none has been able to identify Stevenson as the man who wielded the hatchet.

Prisoner Eats Glass.

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Prisoner Eats Glass.

Stevenson claims that he was no farther north on Main street after 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, than Noien's drug store. Main street and Taibot avenue. The smashing occurred at 6:35 o'clock. Police say they have a man they think will be able to swear that he taiked with Stevenson about 6 o'clock, near the Joseph-Myers store. However, this man has not viewed the man under arrest. He probably will see Stevenson Friday afternoon. The desticited department admits that if Stevenson is not the man seen near the store their case against him is weak-ened. Stevenson says that he came to Mem

Stevenson says that he came to Memphis about two weeks ago from Canton, Miss., where he was a glass eater and fire swallower with a road show Stayenson's mother, he told detectives, peddles perfumes and tollet articles for a living. He claims that a key found in his possession was to the padlock on his mother's door, and that wing a key, he had no call to try to force the padlock with a hatchet handle as other roomers claim he did. One Gem Missing.

One Gem Missing.

Beven diamonds were stolen when the window was smashied. Six have been accounted for, but one is missing. One is thought to have been accounted for, but one is missing. One is thought to have been smashed to bits when run over by a street car. The other five were returned to the store. Johnny Durant, 7, a newsboy, found one and sold it to clyde Blum, another newsboy, for 35 cents. Blum took the ring back to the store.

Detective Jack Klinck took little Johnny to newspaner offices Thursdey afternoon to find the boy who Johnny said had picked un a second diamond on Main street at Madison, after it fell through a hole in Johnny's knickerbockers. They are convinced that Johnny was mistaken when he said he found two diamonds.

But Johnny so evidently needed a new pair of shees, that Charles W Miller city commissioner, when he saw the little boy in custedy of the hig detectives gave him a \$5 bill. Detective Jack Klinck took Johnny to a store, and paid \$4.50 for a pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and 20 cents for a new pair of shoes and decided that he wouldn't go back to work until Friday afternoon. He bought a nic with the 35 cents.

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RATES ON COTTON TO SEAPORTS INCREASED

Cotton rates on the Missouri Pacific railroad from Memphis to Boston, New York and New Grieans are to be advanced Dec. 24 in line with the rates offective on all other lines out of Memphis.

When the cotton rates were adjusted last summer by the railroad administration, the rates on all lines east of Memphis were raised 10 cents per hundred pounds to New York and Goston, and five cents per hundred pounds to New York and Goston, and five cents per hundred pounds to New Orleans. The cotton rates on the Missouri Facific were not changed. This difference threw al iths cotton shipments to New Orleans and the East to the Missouri Pacific railroad.

The matter was taken up with the maintaid administration and a supplement tariff has just been issued by the Missouri Facific carrying rates uniform with those in effect on other lines.

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CALL CONFERENCE FOR JANUARY AT NATION'S CAPITAL

Some clothing manufacturers were said to believe that men's suits now selling five for a meeting of the countries for \$55 retail could be sold at a profit for \$55 if an arrangement could be worked out between mills, manufacturers and retailers whereby a certain percentage of business could be devoted to goods of standard quality to be turned out in quantity.

Loday from Attorney-General to be in the five for the frequency distribution for \$150 for \$

## Palmer Calls Strike's **Ending Actual Victory**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Termination of the soft coal strike was not a settlement, but a vicytory for the government, but a vicytory for the government, asterney General Palmer too day told the senate subcommittee investigating the strike.

"The government has won its flight," which is a laterness of the which was that the Twistlement in actuality; the men and the union efficers have compiled with our demands and returned to work."

Mr. Palmer said department of justice action in the coal strike began with the preparation of an injunction present the preparation of an injunction present in the coal strike began with the preparation of an injunction present in the coal strike began with the preparation of an injunction present in the coal strike began with the preparation of an injunction present with the preparation of a consultative body to investigate and report as to the facts of which a new wage agreement might be arrived at, and the president's plan, arrived at, and the president's plan, arrived at, and the president's plan, arrived at, and the president plan, arrived at, and the president's plan, arrived at a settlement."

"You have never changed your mind that the strike was a breach of law?" Senator Townsend, Republican, of Michigab, Inquired.
"Thever have," Mr. Palmer returned. "The never have," Mr. Palmer returned. "The injunction was histed and is still in effect." He added that now the miners are abeying the order of the court.
"Did they always obey 11?" Senator Townsend asked Senator Freinghuysen, Republican, New Jersey, chairman of the committee.

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"Did they always obey it?" Senator Townsend asked.

"The letter of the court order was to beyed from the first," said Mr. Palmer.
"But innofar as getting men actually beak to work it was not so successful as we had believed."

"You considered that the order was violated, did you not?" Senator Townsend cannot the first, said Mr. Palmer.

"Held Order Yiolated,

"I did. And we instituted further proceedings because we had some evidence that the order was not being beyed in good faith by some of the union officials."

"Grand jury investigation involving the entire question, Mr. Palmer explained the injunction was not intended to order men back to work but was intended to separate the strikers from their leaders and the union funds.

"Was there anything said to the defendant officers of the union which would make them understand that no further proceeding would make them understand that no further proceeding would be commenced arainst them?" Senator Townsend arainst

Planned for Fight.

"After negotiations had all failed."
Mr. Falmer continued, "I settled down to go through the fight to the end, resolved to see the injunction order obeyed as best I could, in the hope that production of coal would be gradually resumed.

"On the afternoon of Dec. 3 John J. Keegan, an employe of the denartment of labor, came to me and said he was convinced if John Lewis and William Green, president and secretary of the minere' union, could sit down and talk to me, the matter could be easily settled.

"I told him I was perfectly willing that I wouldn't invite them, but would talk with them if they cared to come. He talked with Lewis and Green over the telephone and told me they would come from Indianapolis to see me. Tuesday, Dec. 2, Keegan told me they had started. Saturday afternoon they arrived. I told them the government's position would be maintained and that no change in it would be permitted."

"Right there," Senator Townsend interrupted, "was Dr. Garfield's plan considered."

"At the conference with these gen-

After Mrs. M. J. Cobb in her damage suit as administrator of the estate of W. D. Cobb, against the 784 Taxi company, had completed her proof, the company declined to put on any proof, whereupon she took a nonsuit.

The case was on trial in the First chancery court. Judge Young refused to give peremptory instructions.

Cobb, it is alleged, was run down and killed by a car of the taxi company about a year ago at Main street and Beale avenue. Mrs. Cobb sued the company for \$25,000. L. C. Going and W. C. Rosers appeared for her while Phil M. Canale and Walter Chandler represented the taxl company.

THE WEATHER

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Maximum temperature, 54 minimum,
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tomorrow 7:04 a.m. Moon rises 6:27
a.m. tonight. Precipitation, none.

Tennessee Cloudy, colder.

Mississippi—Rain and somewhat cold-er, followed by cloudy. Arkansas—Generally fair, colder; ris-ing temperature in north and west. Alabams—Rain and somewhat colder. Kentucky-Cloudy, rising temperature

Faturday.
Louisiana—Cloudy, rain in east and south; colder.
Okiahoma—Fair, colder in southeast.
East Texas—Generally fair, colder, except rising temperature in north.
West Texas—Probably fair, colder in scutheast; warmer in north.

South Carolina—Rain probable, warm-er in contral portion. South Carolina—Probable rain, warm-Georgia-Probable rain.

Florida-Probable rain, except fair in

eccCITY PAYMASTER IS SANTA CLAUS' COADJUTOR

G. Dave Wells, city paymaster and purchasing agent, acted the role of Santa Claus Friday morning, when 1,105 checks for a half month's salary were paid to city employes, so that they might have coin for Christmas. Members of the day police relief got their checks at 9 c clock Friday morning. The night relief men were paid Thursday night. Ordinarily, the cops get paid only once a month, but each Christmas Dave writes out the extra checks for a half month's salary.

WILSON ENJOYS SNOW WASHINGTON. Dec. 19.—President Wilson enjoyed Washington's first real mowstorm of the year today, sitting out on the south portice of the White louse for more than an hour. Earlier n the morning tha president walked bout his room and the adjacent corriors for a short time, Admirai Grayson and